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SUBJECT:MAURITANIAN PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

1.BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: PRESIDENT MOKTAR OULD DADDAH LEFT NOUAKCHOTT JAN 31 FOR ONE WEEK TRIP TO BELGIUM, FRANCE AND MOROCCO. IN ADDITION TO MADAME DADDAH, DELEGATION INCLUDES FOREIGN MINISTER HAMDY MOUKHASS, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINES ABDOULAYE BARO, AND MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT SIDI OULD CHEIKH ABDALLAHI. ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT- SPONSORED NEWSPAPER CHAAB, AFTER MEETING WITH EEC PRESIDENT RAY JENKINS, BELGIUM KING BAUDOUIN, AND OTHER OFFICIALS IN BRUSSELS, PRESIDENT WILL RETURN VIA PARIS AND RABAT WHERE HE WILL MEET WITH FRENCH PRESIDENT D'ESTAING AND MOROCCAN KING HASSAN, AS HAS BEEUVZHE CASE DURING PAST TWO YEARS, AHMED OULD MOHAMED SALAH WHOSE PRESENT TITLE IS MINISTER OF EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT, ASSUMES PRESIDENTIAL DUTIES DURING OULD DADDAH'S ABSENCE. END UNCLASSIFIED

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: WE HAVE LEARNED THAT MINISTER BARO
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INTENDS TO LEAVE PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATION AFTER BRUSSELS FOR VISIT TO BAGHDAD. MINISTER ABDALLAHI APPARENTLY VISITED BOTH LONDON AND BAGHDAD WITHIN PAST 10 DAYS. WE DO NOT KNOW PURPOSE OF THE HIGH LEVEL VISITS TO BAGHDAD, BUT FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS POINT OUT THAT IRAQ HAS CONTINUALLY SUPPORTED MOROCCAN: MAURITANIAN POSITION SINCE 1975. FYI- ABDALLAHI AND BARO SWITCHED PORTFOLIOS IN CABINET RESHUFFLE OF

JANUARY 26 WHILE FORMER WAS REPRESENTING GIRM AT GUELBS PROJECT
MEETING IN PARIS END FYI - END CONFIDENTIAL.

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